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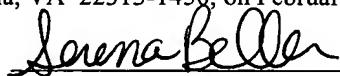
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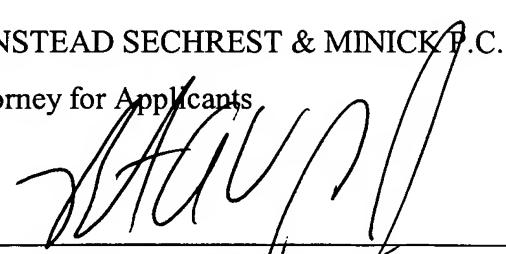
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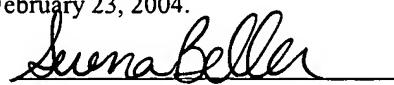
In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of December 3, 2003 (Paper No. 8), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 3, 2004, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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